Substitute the following Abstract for the Abstract currently in the application:

A subsystem and method for combining a spread-spectrum signal arriving from a plurality of paths. A header-matched filter detects each match of a header-chip-sequence signal with a first impulse response and, in response to the detection, outputs a header-detection signal having a header amplitude and a respective chip location. A data-matched filter detects, at the respective chip location of each header-detection signal, a respective data-chip-sequence signal and outputs a data-detection signal having a data amplitude. A combiner multiplies the header amplitude of each header-detection signal and the data amplitude of the respective data symbol to generate a plurality of weighted elements for each data symbol. The combiner then adds the plurality of weighted elements for each data symbol as a sum signal of the respective data symbol.

Page 1, before the first line, insert the following:

RELATED PATENT

This patent stems from a continuation application of U.S.

patent application serial no. 08/806,013, entitled SPREAD

SPECTRUM MULTIPATH COMBINING SUBSYSTEM AND METHOD, now U.S.

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